# DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

# Monday, April 23, 2018 - 6:00 p.m. Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

- 1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:00 PM.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was said by all.
- 3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Dolly Cook and a quorum was present.

Present: Chairman Henry Wender and Commissioners Barb Kramer, Ann Martin and John Degenaer. (4)

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Absent: Joe Stevens

Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Sheriff Scott Rutter, Prosecutor Lisa Richards, Equalization Director Sid Bray and Controller Brian Bousley

4. Motion by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Kramer to accept the agenda as written.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

- 5. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., to approve the following meeting minutes as written: Regular April 9<sup>th</sup> All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- 6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**

13. A Was moved up on the agenda.

13.A. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to enter into a closed session at 6:03 PM to consult with our attorney regarding case evaluation and settlement in connection with the case of Daniel Rittenhouse v Derek Dixon, File No. 16-18640-CZ pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Dickinson pursuant to Section 8(e) of the Open Meetings Act since discussion in an open meeting will have a detrimental financial effect on the litigation position of Dickinson County. (Supported *by 2/3 roll call vote required to go into closed session.)* 

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenaer Jr., Aye Kramer Aye Martin Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried

Motion by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Commissioner Martin to use the tape as the minutes of the closed session. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Martin to enter back into the regular meeting at 6:09 PM. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer Aye Martin Aye Wender Aye

Degenaer Jr. Aye Motion Carried,

Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr. seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the advice of council regarding to the case of Daniel Rittenhouse v Derek Dixon. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

- A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
  Chairman Wended opened the floor to Citizens Time. Bill Cummings, Dickinson County
  Library Board Member, addressed the Board. He read from a handout which is on file in the
  County Clerk's Office. He asked the County Board to place the millage on the ballot.
- B. Resolutions and Legislation –Commissioner Stevens
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve Resolution 2018-8, supporting a grant application by the Bewabic State Park-Parks and Recreation Division of the DNR for new bridges at Piers Gorge. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

DICKINSON COUNTY RESOLUTION No. 2018-8 April 23, 2018

Support of Grant Application for the Menominee River Recreation Area

WHEREAS, Dickinson County Board of Commissioners supports the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) – Bewabic State Park- Parks and Recreation Division submission of an application titled, "Menominee River Recreation Area – Bridge/trail Development" to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for acquisition of bridges; and,

WHEREAS, the location of the proposed project is within the jurisdiction of Dickinson County; and,

WHEREAS, with this resolution of support it is acknowledged that Dickinson County Board of Commissioners is not committing to any obligations; financial or otherwise.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dickinson County Board of Commissioners hereby supports submission of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Application for the proposed development of Menominee River Recreation Area – Bridge/Trail Development by the DNR. AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT: JOE STEVENS MOTION APPROVED.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing is a Resolution duly made and passed by the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting held on April 23, 2018 at the Dickinson County Courthouse with a quorum present.

Dickinson County Clerk Dolly Cook

#### 7. <u>REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:</u>

- A. **Finance Committee** Finance Chairperson Martin
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve Budget Amendments # 1 of Fiscal Year 2018. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin Aye Wender Aye Degenaer Jr., Aye

Kramer Aye Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr. to approve the Courthouse Wi-Fi project not to exceed \$5,800.00 Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin Aye Wender Aye Degenaer Jr., Aye

Kramer Aye Motion Carried.

- 3. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to deny the Trane Annual Service Agreement for Dickinson County Courthouse and jail. Wender, Kramer, Martin, Ayes, Degenaer Jr., Nay Motion Carried. Commissioner Degenaer Jr., stated we should look at some type of service plan.
- 4. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the Courthouse Access Control Project not to exceed \$7,500.00 Roll Call Vote: Commissioners

Wender Aye Degenaer Jr., Aye Kramer Aye

Martin Aye Motion Carried.

5. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr. to approve the Courthouse security camera upgrade project not to exceed \$6,500.00. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenaer Jr., Aye Kramer Aye Martin Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

- B. **A-95 Review** Commissioner Kramer-None
- C. **Upward Talent Council** Commissioner Stevens-None
- D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** Commissioner Kramer-None

#### E. **DHHS / DICSA –** Commissioner Kramer

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Martin to approve the payment request schedule of the Dickinson County Senior Millage for 2018, third payment of \$62,225.00 to be dispersed on May 4, 2018. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer Aye Martin Aye Wender Aye

Degenaer Jr., Aye Motion Carried.

2. DICSA meeting minutes of March 15th.

### F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None

- G. **Northpointe** Commissioner Martin
  - 1. Northpointe meeting minutes of March 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- H. **Pinecrest** Commissioner Degenaer
  - 1. Pinecrest meeting minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - 2. Darlene Smith and Jeff Naser of Pinecrest addressed the County Board. Darlene Smith addressed the Board. She explained the entire history of Pinecrest. Jessica Bushing addressed the Board. She explained the history of Whispering Pines. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to put the millage request of Pinecrest on the May 14th agenda. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

# I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenaer

1. 2018 Equalization Report.

Eq. Dir. began by explaining the need for Equalization. It's required by the State Constitution that properties are assessed at 50% of market value and to that end the EQ Dept. conducts an annual sales study to set the market in each of the five classes of real and personal property for the local assessor to bring into compliance any classes that are either over or under assessed from the 50% ratio. State Tax Commission then oversees each of the 83 county equalization departments to provide a system of checks and balances. Overall real and personal property fell (\$15,583,913) or (1.5% drop). A large portion of the value decline can be attributed to the MTT stipulations most notably the Verso property (\$22.1 million reduction) in the Industrial real property class. Briefly covered the loss or gain in the respective real or personal property classes for 2018 vs 2017 and the changes in value in the four school districts. Breitung SD declined the most falling (\$24,702,736) or (5.22%) which can be attributed in large part to the Verso stipulation, while North Dickinson SD increased by \$5,586,575 or 3.87% which benefited from the Felch Township reappraisal conducted over 2016 and 2017 the results of which are shown here for 2018.

Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to accept the Equalization Report. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Martin left the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

#### J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenaer

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the Controller to prepare and submit a request for a proposal for repair/replacement of the Dickinson County Courthouse roof. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

## K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., to approve the jail lock project with Southern Folger, project not to exceed \$11,000.00. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenaer Jr., Aye Kramer Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., to approve the following 2 applicants to serve a six-year term to expire 4/30/24 Applicants. JURY BOARD – Applicants:

Dennis Baldinelli and Margie Schnapp were appointed to the Jury Board to serve six year terms to expire 4/30/2024. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

- L. **Parks Committee** Commissioner Stevens-None
- M. **Airport Committee –** Commissioner Wender-None
- N. **Fair Board** Commissioner Degenaer
  - 1. Fair meeting minutes of February 6th.
  - 2. Fair meeting minutes of March 6th.
- O. **Library Board** Commissioner Martin-None
- P. **Employee Relations** Commissioner Degenaer-None
- Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** Commissioner Stevens
  - 1. Update from Joe Rizzo, DCHS Public Relations Manager He was not present because he was on Jury Duty.
- R. **Dickinson County Road Commission Commissioner Wender** 
  - 1. DCRC meeting minutes of February 13th.
  - 2. DCRC meeting minutes of March 13th.
  - 3. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr.to approve the Dickinson County Road Commission applicant Dale Johnson to serve a three-year term to expire 4/30/21. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- S. **Construction Code Commission** Commissioner Degenaer-None
- T. Bay West Advisory Committee Commissioner Degenaer-None
- U. **Veterans' Affairs Committee** Commissioner Stevens-None
- 8. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
  Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time and there was no participation.
- 9. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:</u> Commissioner Stevens-None
- 10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** Commissioner Stevens
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request from the Senior Citizens for .25 mils for five years, to be placed on the August 7<sup>th</sup> ballot. (would generate approximately \$221,000 in the first year) All Ayes, Motion Carried.
  - 2. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request from the Senior Citizens for .15 mills for five years, to be placed on the August 7<sup>th</sup> ballot. (would generate approximately \$132,000 in the first year) All Ayes, Motion Carried.
  - 3. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request by the Dickinson County Board for 911 at .40 mills for three years, to be placed on the August 7<sup>th</sup> ballot. (*would generate approximately \$353,000*) All Ayes, Motion Carried.
  - 4. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request by the Dickinson County Library for .90 mills for five years, to be placed on the August 7th ballot. (would generate approximately \$796,000 in the first year) All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- 11. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr. to accept the Committee reports and correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
  - 1. Dickinson Conservation District meeting minutes of March  $20^{th}$ .
- 12. Controller's Report.

Controller Bousley stated the runway project will start on Monday for two weeks. He stated we have to go back to the drawing board for plans for the parking lot at the airport. He stated they will have a clean-up workshop on Saturday at Lake Antoine. He stated he applied for a permit to fix the

boat ramp. He stated the opioid litigation team will be here in a few weeks. He stated we had a Courthouse Security meeting and approved cameras and the access controls. He stated we have 2 USDA grants for \$10,900 each and we have to spend \$19.000. He stated the Conference will be May  $10^{\rm th}$  and  $11^{\rm th}$ .

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Degenaer Jr., stated we should let the voters decide on the millage for Pinecrest.
Commissioner Kramer stated they need summer help at Lake Antoine and are accepting applications.

14.	Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman at 7:58 PM. All Ayes, Motion Carried.	
	Henry Wender, Chairman	Dolly L. Cook, County Clerk